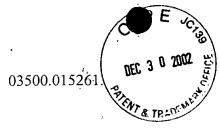
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PATENT APPLICATION



## IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE

In re Application of:		)	
TADASHI OKAMOTO, ET AL.		:	Examiner: J. Tung
Application No.: 09/764,050		:	Group Art Unit: 1637
Application No.: 09/704,030		;	
Filed: January 19, 2001		)	
For:	DETECTION/QUANTIFICATION	)	
	OF TARGETED NUCLEOTIDE	:	
	CHAINS, AND DETECTION/	)	
	QUANTIFICATION OF	:	
	MULTI-FOLD NUCLEOTIDE	)	
	CHAINS BY FLUORESCENCE	:	Date: December 27, 2002

Commissioner for Patents Washington, D.C. 20231

AMENDMENT

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Sir:

In response to the Office Action dated August 28, 2002, the period for response to which having been extended to Monday, December 30, 2002 by the accompanying Petition For Extension Of Time with fee, please amend the above-identified application, as follows: